

Maths for ML

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- Neural networks: $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{h} + b$
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- Row 3 can be written as: 3 times Row 1 + 2 times Row 1. Thus, Row 3 is linearly dependent on Row 1 and 2. Thus, $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A})=2$

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Since \mathbf{X} has fewer rows than columns, its maximum rank is equal to the maximum number of linearly independent rows. And because neither row is linearly dependent on the other row, the matrix has 2 linearly independent rows; so its rank is 2.

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